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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
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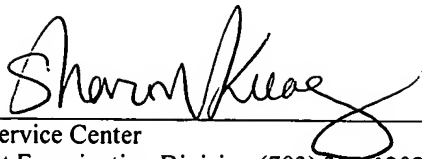
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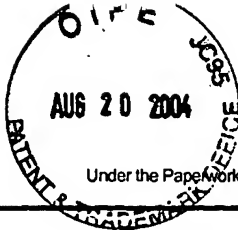


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	Filing Date	January 28, 2004	
	First Named Inventor	Clifford H. Ray, et al.	
	Art Unit	3988	
	Examiner Name	Unknown	
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	8	Attorney Docket Number	021120.0040.000

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<b>SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT</b>				
Firm or Individual name	Mark A. Towse			
Signature				
Date	August 17, 2004			

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In re Application of:

Clifford H. Ray, et al.

Serial No. 10/766,253

Filed: January 28, 2004

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
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Group Art Unit: 3988

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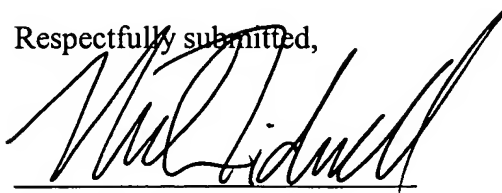
Sir:

In response to the Notice mailed June 21, 2004 to file missing parts of the above-identified application, enclosed are the following as required by the notice:

1. an executed Declaration;
2. check in the amount of \$130 (to cover the late oath or declaration surcharge); and
3. postcard.

In addition, a Transmittal Form, Fee Transmittal and Part 2 of the Notice to File Missing Parts are also enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark A. Tidwell', written over a horizontal line.

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